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General J. A. Anderson
Commissioner of Highways
Richmond, Virginia

Dear General Anderson:

Since our meeting on 13 June we have made considerable progress with our plans for the construction of our new headquarters building near Langley, Virginia. In July the Congress appropriated \$49 million for the project, so that with the funds made available last year, we have a total of \$54,500,000. The Congress directed, however, that before expending funds for construction I satisfy myself that all facilities required for completion of the project were available or committed.

One aspect on which I am not entirely clear has to do with the matching funds required for acquisition of the remainder of the right of way of the George Washington Memorial Parkway from Chain Bridge to the Langley site.

I understand the National Capital Planning Commission has written Mr. Felix on this point and that it will arise in the Legislature on 27 August. I would greatly appreciate it if you would tell me whether there is any information that can be supplied or action taken by myself or the Agency which would be appropriate in your consideration of this matter.

If there can be assurance that the funds will be available for the remainder of the right of way, I will release funds for the road construction as they are required. Needless to say, the earlier we can build these roadways, the earlier we can complete the basic construction project and move the main components of this Agency to Virginia.

I am sorry to say that both Colonel White and I are about to leave Washington for several weeks, but if there is anything which can be done, please call on General Cebell in my absence.

Sincerely,

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